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PROCEEDINGS

ELEVENTH DAY — MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 2011

The house met at 1 p.m. and was called to order by the speaker.

The roll of the house was called and a quorum was announced present (Record 36).

Present — Mr. Speaker; Alonzo; Alvarado; Anderson, C.; Anderson, R.; Aycock; Beck; Berman; Bohac; Bonnen; Branch; Brown; Burkett; Burnam; Button; Cain; Callegari; Carter; Castro; Chisum; Christian; Coleman; Cook; Craddick; Creighton; Crownover; Darby; Davis, J.; Davis, S.; Davis, Y.; Deshotel; Driver; Dukes; Dutton; Eiland; Eissler; Elkins; Farias; Farrar; Fletcher; Flynn; Frullo; Gallego; Garza; Geren; Giddings; Gonzales, L.; Gonzales, V.; Gonzalez; Gooden; Guillen; Gutierrez; Hamilton; Hancock; Hardcastle; Harless; Harper-Brown; Hartnett; Hilderbran; Hochberg; Hopson; Howard, C.; Howard, D.; Hughes; Hunter; Isaac; Jackson; Johnson; Keffer; King, P.; King, S.; King, T.; Kleinschmidt; Kolkhorst; Kuempel; Landtroop; Larson; Laubenberg; Lavender; Legler; Lewis; Lozano; Lucio; Lyne; Madden; Mallory Caraway; Margo; Marquez; Martinez; Martinez Fischer; McClendon; Menendez; Miles; Miller, D.; Miller, S.; Morrison; Muñoz; Murphy; Naishtat; Nash; Oliveira; Orr; Otto; Parker; Patrick; Paxton; Peña; Perry; Phillips; Pickett; Pitts; Price; Quintanilla; Raymond; Reynolds; Riddle; Ritter; Rodriguez; Schwertner; Scott; Sheets; Sheffield; Shelton; Simpson; Smith, T.; Smith, W.; Smithee; Solomons; Strama; Taylor, L.; Taylor, V.; Thompson; Torres; Truitt; Turner; Veasey; Villarreal; Vo; Walle; Weber; White; Woolley; Workman; Zedler; Zerwas.

Absent, Excused — Aliseda; Allen; Anchia; Hernandez Luna; Huberty.

The invocation was offered by Martin Seca, pastor, Living Stone Worship Church, Del Rio, as follows:

Heavenly Father, our creator, provider, and sustainer. It is to you our refuge, strength, the one God who is known by many names, to you God we give thanks for this day. A day in which we have another opportunity to manifest your divine essence upon the earth. You have given us another opportunity to demonstrate your love for us and how we treat one another. And so on this day, I lift Governor Rick Perry and the members and staff of the Texas Congressional House of Representatives to you. I pray your divine wisdom and guidance will consume them so they will understand the individuals, families, and yes, this grand state that has, and even still continues to influence this, your great nation, that will be impacted by their decisions today. I ask you to bestow upon the leadership that you have selected and ordained to lead us, pour on them your

divine knowledge, wisdom, and understanding. I ask you to teach them and teach all of us to seek you, to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with you our God. In the name of Jesus, I pray. Amen.

The speaker recognized Representative Lavender who led the house in the pledges of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following members were granted leaves of absence for today because of important business:

Aliseda on motion of Hunter.

Hernandez Luna on motion of Strama.

The following members were granted leaves of absence for today because of illness:

Allen on motion of Strama.

Anchia on motion of Strama.

The following member was granted leave of absence for today because of important business in the district:

Huberty on motion of Schwertner.

CAPITOL PHYSICIAN

The speaker recognized Representative Weber who presented Dr. Gregory Johnson of Manvel as the "Doctor for the Day."

The house welcomed Dr. Johnson and thanked him for his participation in the Physician of the Day Program sponsored by the Texas Academy of Family Physicians.

(S. King in the chair)

HCR 41 - ADOPTED (by Orr)

Representative Orr moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HCR 41**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HCR 41, Recognizing January 31, 2011, as Bosque County Day at the State Capitol.

HCR 41 was read and was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representative Orr who introduced a delegation from Bosque County.

HR 225 - ADOPTED
(by D. Howard)

Representative D. Howard moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 225**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 225, Welcoming members of the Sports Medicine Program at Vandegrift High School in Leander ISD to the Capitol.

HR 225 was adopted.

HCR 36 - ADOPTED
(by Naishtat)

Representative Naishtat moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HCR 36**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HCR 36, Commemorating the 25th anniversary of the establishment of the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature.

HCR 36 was adopted.

On motion of Representative Legler, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HCR 36** as signers thereof.

(Legler in the chair)

HR 151 - ADOPTED
(by Farrar, et al.)

Representative Farrar moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 151**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 151, Congratulating Sarah L. Hirsch on being named director of party administration of the Harris County Democratic Party.

HR 151 was adopted.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following member was granted leave of absence for the remainder of today because of important business in the district:

J. Davis on motion of Hancock.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Martinez Fischer moved that the house adjourn until 10 a.m. tomorrow in memory of Victor R. Alonzo of Dallas.

The motion prevailed.

The house accordingly, at 1:36 p.m., adjourned until 10 a.m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX

SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

January 28 - HCR 26